

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Docket No. **884.0212USQ**  
Anticipated Classification of this Application  
Class:                      Subclass:  
Prior Application: **10/308,993**      filed: **12/2/2002**  
Examiner:                      Art Unit: **2841**

CUSTOMER NO.: **27623**

**Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**



Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a XXX continuation-in-part \_\_\_\_\_ continuation \_\_\_\_\_  
divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application, Serial No.  
10/308,993 filed on December 2, 2002 of Carlucci for **BALANCE CONTROL**  
**SYSTEM FOR WEIGHT SCALES.**

The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT BELOW				
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TOTAL CLAIMS	34- 20 =	14	x \$18.00	\$252.00
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE			x \$290.00 = \$0	
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1. \_\_\_\_\_ No fee enclosed – filing by missing parts.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1239. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Cancel in this application original claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ A copy of the executed oath or declaration from U.S. Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ A new oath or declaration, new formal drawings and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as a true copy is enclosed.

6. XXX Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: ---  
This is a XXX continuation-in-part, \_\_\_\_\_ division, of application serial no. 10/308,993,  
filed December 2, 2002.---

7. XXX The prior application is assigned of record to: **CONAIR CORPORATION**

8. XXX The power of attorney in the prior application is to: **Lawrence Cruz, Esq.**

a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

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9. \_\_\_\_ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment  
have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following  
the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)

10. XXX Priority of application Serial No. 10/308,993 filed on December 2, 2002  
in US is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119;

11. \_\_\_\_ I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application  
serial no. \_\_\_\_\_ as originally filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true  
and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these  
statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are  
punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and  
that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing  
thereon.

December 2, 2003  
(Date)

  
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